Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ - Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C

Diocesan Theme: **Christ is Everything for Us!** "Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life". (John 6.68).

Parish Mission Statement: **Love God, Love Others, Make Disciples!** Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal parish through the liturgy, faith formation and sacramental life, provides opportunities for members to develop their faith and service to others.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, June 18th

4:30pm Intentions of all fathers, godfathers and grandfathers by the James family

Sunday, June 19th - Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)

9:00am Intentions of the Parishioners by the Pastor

10:45am Repose of the soul of Jackie Sisk by Winnie Kerfoot

Tuesday, June 21st - St. Aloysius Gonzaga

7:00pm Intentions of Elaine Larocque by Deirdre Larocque

Wednesday, June 22nd

9:30am Repose of the soul of Jared Oldford by mom, dad & loving family

Thursday, June 23rd - The Nativity of St. John The Baptist
 9:00am Repose of the soul of Henriette Lemay by the Tanguay family

Friday, June 24th - The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
 9:00am Repose of the souls of George Hendley, family members and friends

Saturday, June 25th - The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary

4:30pm Birthday intentions of Josephine Barnes by the James family

Sunday, June 26^{th} – Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00am Intentions of the Parishioners by the Pastor10:45am Repose of the soul of Donald Bradley by Callista & Leighton Kelly

Tuesday, June 28th - St. Irenaeus

7:00pm Intentions of David Carvell by Deirdre Larocque

Wednesday, June 29th - Sts. Peter & Paul

9:30am Repose of the soul of Margaret Ann Bladwin by the staff of CDSBEO

Thursday, June 30th

9:00am Thanksgiving & blessings on the occasion of Jani Chartrand & Evan Kristiansen's wedding

Friday, July 1st

9:00am Intentions of Tom & Kellie Fleet by the James family

Saturday, July 2nd

4:30pm Blessings & intentions on the occasion of Theresa James & Stewart Langley's marriage by the CWL members

Sunday, July 3^{rd} - Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00am Intentions of the Parishioners by the Pastor10:45am Repose of the soul of Orval Millward by Dale & Lorraine Harper

Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

"Take it; this is My body." Then He took a cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, and they all drank from it. He said to them, "This is My blood of the covenant, which will be shed for many." Mark 14:22a-24.

Happy Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ, our Lord and God! What a Gift we celebrate today! The Eucharist is everything. It's all things, the fullness of life, eternal salvation, mercy, grace, happiness, etc. Why is the Eucharist all this and so much more? Simply put, the Eucharist IS God. Period. Therefore, the Eucharist is all that God is. In his beautiful traditional hymn, *Adoro te Devote*, St. Thomas Aquinas writes, "I devoutly adore You, O hidden Deity, truly hidden beneath these appearances. My whole heart submits to You, and in contemplating You, it surrenders itself completely. Sight, touch, taste are all deceived in their judgment of You, but hearing suffices firmly to believe..." What a glorious statement of faith in this wondrous gift. This statement of faith reveals that when we worship before the Eucharist, we worship God Himself hidden under the appearance of bread and wine. Our senses are deceived. What we see, taste and feel do not reveal the reality before us. The Eucharist is God.

Throughout our lives, if we were raised Catholic, we were taught reverence for the Eucharist. But "reverence" is not enough. Most Catholics revere the Eucharist, meaning, we genuflect, kneel, and treat the Sacred Host with respect. But it's important to ponder a question in your heart. Do you believe the Eucharist is God Almighty, the Savior of the world, the second Person of the Most Holy Trinity? Do you believe deeply enough to have your heart moved with love and profound devotion every time you are before our divine Lord present before us under the veil of the Eucharist? When you kneel do you fall down prostrate in your heart, loving God with your whole being?

Since the Eucharist is God Almighty, we must see Him there with the eyes of faith in our soul. We must profoundly adore Him as the angels do in Heaven. We must cry out, "Holy, Holy, Holy is the Lord God Almighty." We must be moved to the deepest of worship as we enter into His divine presence. Ponder the depth of your faith in the Eucharist today and strive to renew it, worshiping God as one who believes with your whole being.

I devoutly adore You, O hidden Deity, truly hidden beneath these appearances. My whole heart submits to You, and in contemplating You, it surrenders itself completely. Sight, touch, taste are all deceived in their judgment of You, but hearing suffices firmly to believe. Jesus, I trust in You.

Intentions of the Holy Father for June: FAMILIES

We pray for Christian families around the world. May they embody and experience unconditional love and advance in holiness in their daily lives.

June 18th - July 3rd, 2022

Are you new to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Parish?
WELCOME! If you have not yet registered, please complete a registration form found in the foyer or in the office.
You may bring the completed form to the office

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

When the days for Jesus' being taken up were fulfilled, He resolutely determined to journey to Jerusalem, and He sent messengers ahead of Him. <u>Luke 9:51-52a</u>

Jesus was "resolutely determined" in His mission to travel toward Jerusalem. The significance of this line can easily be lost

There are two things to point out about this passage. First, Jerusalem was the destination where He would ultimately die for the sins of the world. It was His place of glorification through the Sacrifice of the Cross. Thus, the disciples did not want Jesus to go to Jerusalem since they knew it was a risk. But Jesus saw through the suffering He would soon endure to the future glory of the Sacrifice He would offer.

Second, the fact that Jesus was "resolute" in His determination to go to Jerusalem and sacrifice His life reveals His courage and perfect love. He did not fear what would happen to Him because He had the bigger picture in mind. He saw the good fruit of the salvation of many souls and this overshadowed any temptation to be deterred from His divine mission.

We can learn much from Jesus' determination to sacrifice His life in Jerusalem for the salvation of the world. Certainly we should see the fruit of this sacrifice and be eternally grateful for it. But we should also see it as an invitation to imitate Jesus' actions. In our own lives there are many opportunities we are given to choose a life of selfless sacrifice for the good of others. These opportunities come in many forms, but in the end they are always opportunities of love and self-giving. Though sacrifice will tempt us to flee in a different direction, if we keep our eyes upon the good fruit of all selfless sacrifice, we will be encouraged to be resolute in our determination of love. Reflect, today, upon whatever your "Jerusalem" is. What is it that you are invited to sacrifice your life for out of love. When you discover what it is, look also at your willingness to embrace this sacrifice for the good of others and strive to imitate the firm determination of our Lord.

My determined Lord, I offer my life to You and accept Your invitation to offer my life for the good of others. Give me the courage and determination I need to see the value of selfless living and fill me with unwavering love of Your holy will. Jesus, I trust in You.

YOUR OFFERINGS FOR:

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are in need of male and female Usher and Altar Server volunteers for each of our weekend Masses. The primary duties and responsibilities of ushers include welcoming parishioners, escorting them to seating at select masses, taking up the collection and providing a goodbye salutation and distributing bulletins at the conclusion of Mass. The primary duties and responsibilities of altar servers include, but not limited to, holding the book for the priest celebrant when he is not at the altar, carrying the incense and censer and presenting the bread and wine along with the water to the priest during the preparation of the gifts or assisting him when he receives the gifts from the people. This is a great opportunity to serve with very little time commitment required. For more information please email Karla at karlabutt@icloud.com

Seniors Mass

There will be no Friday seniors' Mass for the months of July and August.

Kid's Club

The next Kid's Club meeting will be on Saturday, June $25^{\rm th}$ from 10:00am to 11:15am at the church hall. All kids ages 4 to 11 are welcome to participate. For more information and to register, contact Stacey Murphy at

 $\underline{murphysb1987@gmail.com}.$

Please note that there will be no meetings for July and August.

Mass in Honour of National Indigenous Peoples Day: On June 21st, Archbishop Marcel Damphousse will celebrate a Mass at St. Basil Parish, 904 Rex Avenue, Ottawa at 7:00 pm in honour of National Indigenous Peoples Day. All are welcome to attend!



Congratulations to all the children who received Confirmation on June 11th, Arianna, Summer, Teodoro, William, Emma, Emmanuel, Ava, Madisyn, Lauren, Kensington, Hope, Elisabeth, Simon, Keegan, Nathan M., Nathan S., Hudson, Caleb, Hannah and Kian

